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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS: PRISONERS RELEASED

1. EMBASSY BELIEVES FOLLOWING EIGHT GUINEAN POLITICAL PRISONERS WERE AMONG THOSE RELEASED ON OR ABOUT MAY 14 GUINEAN PARTY 30TH ANNIVERSARY (LIST IS PARTIAL BUT RECEIVED FROM USUALLY RELIABLE UNOFFICIAL GOG SOURCE):

--MS ORIA GUICHARD, FORMER SECRETARY TO HEAD OF SNE (CONAKRY'S POWER COMPANY) WHOSE FATHER WAS DIRECTOR, AIR GUINEA; HER CONDITION IS GOOD; SHE IS RELATED TO GOG'S WELL-KNOWN GUICHARD CLAN.

-- MISS MARIE KANTARA, SISTER OF STILL-IMPRISONED EMIL KANTARA, EX-DIRECTOR, FRIA ALUMINA PLANT (SEE UN REPORT OF INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (ILHR), APPENDIX 1 (A) NO 32);

-- MARA DJOMBA (OR DYOMBA), EX-DIRECTOR, AIR GUINEA (SEE ILHR,APPENDIX 1(B), P. 13);
-- CAMARA DEEN (OR DINE), TRADE UNIONIST, EX-MINISTER OF LABOR (SEE ILHR, APPENDIX 1 (A), P. 2;
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APPENDIX 1 (B), P. 7; REFERRED TO ALSO AS EX-MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS IN MARCHE'S TRIPICAUX, JUNE 10, 1977);
-- MS MARIE LOROFI CAMARA, WIFE OF NOTED GUINEAN WRITER AND ANTI-TOURE EXILE CAMARA LAYE (SEE ILHR, APPENDIX 1(B), P 8); MS LOROFI WAS SEEN AT KAMSAR HOSPITAL ON JUNE 25 WHERE SHE HAD UNDERGONE MINOR OP-

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ERATION; HER CONDITION SEEMED FAIRLY GOOD AND SHE
CALIMED HER TREATMENT IN CAMP BOIRO HAD BEEN "NOT
TOO BAD" EXCEPT FOR DARK DIRTY CELLS; SHE
HOPES NOW TO SEEK EXIT PERMIT THROUGH CERTIFICATE
ATTESTING TO NEED FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION ABROAD;
--BARRY PIERRE, EX-TAX INSPECTOR (SEE ILHR, APPENDIXS
1 (B), P. 7, AND 1 (C), P. 23;
-- ALIOU DIALLO (?)
-- MS COLLET (?)
2. INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT MOST OF ABOVE ARE WELL-KNOWN OR
WELL CONNECTED GUINEANS AND BY NO MEANS NON-ENTITIES. AT
LEAST SEVERAL WERE IMPRISONED FOR REASONS NOT DIRECTLY
RELATED TO 1970 INVASION AND CANNOT REASONABLY BE LABELED
"WAR CRIMINALS". MOTIVE FOR RELEASING THEM AND NOT OTHERS
IN MAY IS UNKNOWN ALTHOUGH SOME FAMILIES CONSIDERED RELEASE
BOTH EXPECTED AND LONG OVERDUE.

3. SOURCE IS IN POSITION TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HUMAN
RIGHTS INFORMATION; REQUEST ABOVE LIST BE STRICTLY HELD.
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